IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. Of:

ASPAR et al.

Filed:

- February 23, 2004

For:

A METHOD OF PRODUCING A THIN LAYER OF ...

Group:

2823

Examiner:

George R. Fourson III

DOCKET: BREV 12370 CON4

MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified patent application, please amend the

Application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this Amendment.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this Amendment.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this Amendment.

1ES SOLOWAY P.C. 30 W. CUSHING ST, UCSON. AZ 85701 EL. 820.882.7623 AX. 520.882.7643

75 CANAL STREET VCHESTER, NH 03101 • 'EL. 603,668,1400 'AX. 603,668,8567